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SUBJ : UNIDENTIFIED CRAFT RECONNOITERS U. N. FISHERIES
BOAT ON LAKE TANGANYIKA

1. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE UNDP SOURCES, U. N. FISHERIES
RESEARCH SHIP LADY ALICE WAS SUBJECT OF RECONNAISSANCE BY
UNKNOWN CRAFT AT 0345 ON MARCH 15 ABOUT EIGHT MILES OFF NYANZA
LAND, BURUNDI
BURUNDI JUST ABOVE TANZANIA BORDER. CRAFT, GRAY IN
COLOR, 6-8 PORTHOLES, ABOUT 15 METERS IN LENGTH, CAME UP
UNNOTICED BEHIND LADY ALICE, TURNED ON FLOODLIGHTS, AND
PULLED SLOWLY ALONG PORT SIDE INSPECTING SHIP. CREW OF
LADY ALICE SAW NO ARMAMENT OR FLAG, BUT GLARE OF FLOODLIGHT
MADE VIEWING DIFFICULT. APPARENTLY SATISFIED AFTER FEW
MINUTES, CRAFT TOOK OFF RAPIDLY IN NORTHERLY DIRECTION
WITHOUT COMMUNICATING WITH LADY ALICE.

2. CREW OF LADY ALICE, FAMILIAR WITH ZAIRIAN SWIFT BOATS AND
BURUNDI CRAFT, SAY THAT SHIP WAS NEITHER OF THESE.

3. COMMENT: WHILE SOME CONJECTURE AMONG U. N. PERSONNEL
THAT UNIDENTIFIED CRAFT COULD HAVE COME FROM REBEL- HELD
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AREA ZAIRE, EMBASSY INCLINED BELIEVE MORE LIKELY IT WAS
ZAIRE OR TANZANIAN PATROL CRAFT. ADDRESSEES MAY HOWEVER
WISH CHECK AGAINST OTHER AVAILABLE INFORMATION.
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